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3	ON SCREEN:
4	The following
5	is a paid
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8	ON SCREEN:
9	Today's Health
10	MR. BARRETT: Hello, and welcome to another
11	edition of Today's Health.
12	ON SCREEN:
13	Donald Barrett
14	ITV
15	MR. BARRETT: My name is Donald Barrett and on
16	our show today we have one of the leading experts and
17	researchers in alternative health care, Dr. Alex
18	Guerrero.
19	ON SCREEN:
20	ITV
21	ARE ALL HEALTH PROBLEMS
22	CAUSED BY AN ACIDIC BODY?
23	MR. BARRETT: Dr. Guerrero claims that most
24	chronic degenerative diseases such as cancer,
25	arthritis, diabetes, even the number one killer out

4 there, heart disease -- can and are being cured and there 1 2 are natural healing techniques being suppressed in this 3 country. We have a very controversial show, so stay with 4 us. 5 Dr. Alex, thanks for being my guest today. 6 ON SCREEN: 7 DR ALEX GUERRERO OMD 8 DR. GUERRERO: Thanks, Donald. Appreciate 9 being here. 10 Now, you're not a medical doctor? MR. BARRETT: 11 DR. GUERRERO: I'm not. 12 MR. BARRETT: Now, did you go to medical school 13 or entertain the thought of going to medical school? 14 DR. GUERRERO: Entertained the thought of going 15 to medical school, but I really -- my interests lied in chronic degenerative conditions. And, you know, 16 17 conventional medicine is really outstanding, phenomenal 18 acute care medicine. They probably are the best hands-19 down acute care medicine there is. They just aren't 2.0 great chronic care. And I was more I was more interested 21 in chronic care conditions. 22 MR. BARRETT: What do you mean, acute care 23 versus chronic care? 24 DR. GUERRERO: Well, for example --25 MR. BARRETT: What's the difference?

DR. GUERRERO: Well, the difference would be, 1 Don, if you had a heart attack at this moment, I mean, 2 3 we'd rush you to the hospital, they'd do a great job of 4 stabilizing you, make sure you stayed with us. 5 MR. BARRETT: Right. 6 DR. GUERRERO: And then, hopefully, they'd send you back to someone like myself and we could make sure 7 8 you never had a heart attack again. 9 MR. BARRETT: So how did you get involved in 10 alternative health care? 11 DR. GUERRERO: Well, interestingly enough I 12 really got involved mostly because of my father-in-law. 13 Mt father-in-law was stricken with cancer and he had 14 squamous cell carcinoma, which was a topical cancer, 15 should have been very easily dealt with. And it went 16 misdiagnosed. 17 And, unfortunately, after years of horrific 18 therapy, after losing his right arm, his scapula, his clavicle, they took three ribs, he passed away. And at 19 20 that time I vowed that nobody in my family would ever 21 suffer from that disease again. 22 MR. BARRETT: You treat all types of people

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MR. BARRETT: All the way to people that, you

from pro athletes in their prime of life?

DR. GUERRERO: Yes.

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- 1 know, have chronic disease that their doctors have told
- 2 them to really get their affairs in order and go home.
- DR. GUERRERO: Yeah. I mean, our primary
- 4 concern -- at least in my clinic, anyway, is to make sure
- 5 that the body, you know, stays in an environment that's
- 6 conducive for cell regeneration. You know, we do a lot
- 7 of weight loss, we do a lot of anti-aging, we do a lot
- 8 of, you know, making sure professional athletes can stay
- 9 at their peak performance all the time. And we also see
- 10 people that have chronic conditions -- like you mentioned
- 11 before, we've got cancer patients, Aids patients, people
- 12 with MS, diabetes, Parkinson's.
- And understanding the chronic condition that --
- 14 you know, I've always stated that --
- MR. BARRETT: But you're treating them with
- 16 natural therapies.
- DR. GUERRERO: We are.
- MR. BARRETT: All natural?
- DR. GUERRERO: All natural. The purpose really
- 20 is to give them something that provides -- that changes
- 21 the environment, that makes the environment now conducive
- 22 to cellular regeneration, rather than an environment that
- 23 promotes degeneration.
- Our cells regenerate on cycles. For example,
- you get new skin cells every 30 days, you're getting new

1 bone cells every 120 days. So if the environment, your

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- 2 internal environment, Don, is now conducive to the
- 3 regeneration of that cell -- that's what it does, it
- 4 regenerates -- if the environment isn't, well, then
- 5 you're going to degenerate. And that's what we call
- 6 aging.
- 7 MR. BARRETT: Well, if somebody gets sick
- 8 around the country and they go to their medical doctor,
- 9 their medical doctor doesn't talk anything about it.
- 10 They talk about chemotherapy and the drugs they should go
- on. They don't talk about any natural approaches.
- DR. GUERRERO: Well, again, because that's the
- acute care coming out. It's not that the doctor doesn't
- care or isn't concerned, but primarily that's where the
- 15 education is based. You know, in medical schools they're
- 16 getting, you know, one course in nutrition. And,
- 17 primarily, that one course in nutrition isn't significant
- 18 enough to learn about nutrition or how the body really
- 19 functions from a biochemical perspective.
- And so, you know, they're educated by the
- 21 pharmaceutical companies to say, look, this is what this
- 22 medication does, you have this condition, this is what we
- 23 need.
- MR. BARRETT: Right. Well, you would think a
- 25 doctor going to school would want to have -- just provide

1 the best health care for their patient. DR. GUERRERO: Well, you would think so. And 2 that's why I think a lot of the doctors that you see 3 coming out now are crossing over. You do see a lot of 4 doctors -- and I deal with a lot of them, I have several 5 6 oncologists that refer patients to me. You have several of them now that are understanding the value between, you 7 know, conventional and alternative. And they really are 8 9 trying to incorporate those. 10 MR. BARRETT: You teach them of this acid 11 alkaline balance in the body, because it's simple for people to understand and when they alkalize their body, 12 as you say, they're in a better position to heal 13 14 themselves? 15 DR. GUERRERO: Absolutely. 16 MR. BARRETT: Versus an acid body? 17 DR. GUERRERO: Well, from, you know, in -- in biology we've learned that you've got disorders like 18 yeast, fungus, bacterias, viruses, molds, all those are 19 living organisms that need an environment in which to 20 thrive and proliferate and grow. And they can only 21 22 survive in an acid base.

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tissues to a more alkaline base, now you have an

environment that is no longer conducive for the

So if we can change the body's fluids and

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1 proliferation or growth of a degenerative condition.

- 2 MR. BARRETT: And when you alkalize the body,
- 3 these -- a lot of these symptoms, a lot of these diseases

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- 4 are going to --
- 5 DR. GUERRERO: Well, they --
- 6 MR. BARRETT: -- fall by the wayside.
- 7 DR. GUERRERO: Well, they all do, because
- 8 they're a result of over acidification of the blood and
- 9 tissues. And so when the blood and tissue are in an acid
- 10 base -- it's like what acid rain would do to a paint job
- 11 on a car.
- MR. BARRETT: Yeah, it would ruin it.
- DR. GUERRERO: That's what -- that's what your
- 14 body fluids, your acidic body fluids are doing to your
- 15 internal organs.
- MR. BARRETT: So if you're drinking acidic
- 17 fluids, like soda -- I mean, what are some --
- DR. GUERRERO: Coffee.
- MR. BARRETT: Coffee.
- DR. GUERRERO: Black tea, all of those are
- 21 extremely acid forming.
- MR. BARRETT: Really? So when you drink -- you
- 23 -- diet soda?
- DR. GUERRERO: Diet soda, horrific for the
- 25 body. You're talking about something that has --

10 1 MR. BARRETT: I mean, a lot of people think 2 diet soda is healthy for them. 3 DR. GUERRERO: Right. 4 MR. BARRETT: Or bottled water, a lot of people 5 drink bottled water, and their bottled water is acidic. 6 DR. GUERRERO: Right. 7 MR. BARRETT: Well, how would --8 DR. GUERRERO: Regardless of what that is. 9 MR. BARRETT: -- somebody know out there, if 10 they're watching our show right now, how would they know 11 if they have an acid system or if they have a high acid 12 body, what are some tell tale signs, so to speak? You're 13 saying if someone is acid, they're on the road to 14 disease? 15 DR. GUERRERO: Right. You're in a state of degeneration. And your signs of a degenerative condition 16 would be, for example, someone who has s difficult time 17 18 waking up in the morning. You know, they -- they sleep 19 seven hours and wake up and think, Oh, man, I just can't believe today's another day. You know, those are people 20 21 that -- that's a sign of an over acidic condition.

those are all conditions, are all signs and symptoms of a body that's in an acidic --

Acne, obesity, diabetes, foggy thinking --

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MR. BARRETT: Right. And there's also a simple

- 1 way to test, the saliva test, with Ph paper --
- DR. GUERRERO: Mm-hmm.
- 3 MR. BARRETT: -- which you recommend to your
- 4 patients to test their acid alkaline balance, too.
- 5 DR. GUERRERO: Yes.
- 6 MR. BARRETT: And now here's the question: If
- 7 I alkalize my body, am I going to come up with one of
- 8 these chronic degenerative diseases?
- 9 DR. GUERRERO: No.
- MR. BARRETT: Such as cancer, arthritis --
- DR. GUERRERO: No.
- MR. BARRETT: How can you say that so
- 13 confidently?
- DR. GUERRERO: I'm very confident in saying
- that, primarily because of the clinical studies we've
- 16 done. I've seen it in my -- in my -- in my clinical
- 17 practice. I've seen it every day in my clinical
- 18 practice.
- MR. BARRETT: Tell me about --
- DR. GUERRERO: I treat patients that have
- 21 conditions --
- MR. BARRETT: -- the studies -- tell me about a
- 23 study that you've done with -- with chronic disease.
- DR. GUERRERO: Well, based on acid alkaline
- 25 principles we wanted to take groups of people that had

- degenerative conditions -- and, to me, it didn't really
- 2 matter what their degenerative condition was and I
- 3 preferred them to have a variety of conditions. So I
- 4 certainly just didn't want to have a base of liver cancer
- or bone cancer or prostate cancer or breast cancer. I
- 6 wanted to, you know, lump them into a group and see what
- 7 the response would be over time.
- Well, now it's been -- you know, now we're
- 9 going into, you know, eight years and within a five year
- 10 period of time we took 200 people that had a variety of
- 11 degenerative conditions. They weren't all the same
- 12 conditions, they --
- MR. BARRETT: Were they terminal?
- DR. GUERRERO: They were diagnosed as terminal.
- MR. BARRETT: Two hundred people -- now, eight
- 16 years later, how many of them are still alive?
- DR. GUERRERO: Well, I've got -- out of that --
- out of those 200 people that were terminal we lost eight.
- 19 Eight passed away.
- MR. BARRETT: And that's amazing. People must
- 21 have been amazed by those studies.
- DR. GUERRERO: Yeah. I mean, it was -- it was
- 23 really exciting to see at the time. And that's really
- 24 what solidified, for me, this -- you know, the concepts
- of acid and alkaline balance. And so, now, over the

13 1 years I've just been afraid to deviate from what has 2 worked for me in my clinic. 3 MR. BARRETT: Someone's watching and they say, hey, this alkalinity stuff -- this stuff, maybe there's 4 5 something to it. We've had Dr. Morter (phonetic) on our 6 show, Bob Bearfoot (phonetic) -- both are proponents of 7 alkalizing the body. But I -- I think you're very unique 8 in the way you explain it. 9 So what are some foods -- if someone's watching or something they can drink that would help them alkalize 10 11 the body? 12 DR. GUERRERO: When we talk about maintaining 13 alkaline values, we're talking about something -- you know, water containing foods. So, you -- obviously, your 14 15 cruciferous vegetables -- the darker the green, the 16 better. But they need to be water containing. Because, 17 you know, 70 percent of your body is water, 80 percent of 18 your plasma is water and your plasma is where you red 19 blood cells live. And that's what takes and absorbs the 20 iron and the oxygen and the insulin and all the vital 21 nutrients your body needs to stabilize itself, maintain 22 its homeo status and stay in this cycle of regeneration. 23 MR. BARRETT: So how many people in your

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practice actually -- without supplementation -- can

alkalize their body, just with food and drinking the

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1 right fluids?

- DR. GUERRERO: It's very few. And it's getting
- 3 much more difficult and it's getting much more difficult
- 4 because the nutrient value in the foods we eat today
- 5 simply isn't there. Supplementation is going to become a
- 6 way of life for people and people need to understand that
- 7 their either going to be forced to supplement because
- 8 they got sick, they now have no choice, or they're going
- 9 to understand the principle that, you know what, yeah, we
- 10 really are -- we really don't have the high quality
- 11 nutrient value in the foods we're supposed to be getting
- 12 today. Yeah, I do live a fast-paced lifestyle, I need to
- 13 learn how to neutralize the acids.
- MR. BARRETT: And you're saying even if you ate
- 15 all the right foods, even if you ate two pounds of
- 16 vegetables a day the nutrients aren't in the vegetables
- 17 like they were so many years ago.
- DR. GUERRERO: No, they aren't. I mean,
- 19 farmers today add in three nutrients into the soil. Now,
- 20 a plant absorbs 67 vitamins and minerals from the soil.
- 21 So now, if a farmer is farming the same plot of land and
- 22 the plant is taking out 67 vitamins and minerals from the
- 23 soil and the farmer is only putting back in three --
- 24 well, you know, you don't have to be a rocket scientist,
- Don, to figure out that, you know, over time crop after

- 1 crop after crop that soil becomes depleted. And so now
- 2 we simply just don't have the amount of vitamins and
- 3 minerals that our body needs to help it through this
- 4 cycle of regeneration.
- 5 MR. BARRETT: So a lot of people out there may
- 6 say I get all my nutrients through my food, they're
- 7 really being misled because the nutrients aren't in their
- 8 foods.
- 9 DR. GUERRERO: Not -- no, not in the quantity
- 10 that the body needs to undergo regeneration.
- MR. BARRETT: Now, explain. When a patient
- 12 comes to your office -- whether they have cancer or
- 13 arthritis, diabetes, you start them on a few standard
- 14 supplements.
- DR. GUERRERO: Right.
- 16 MR. BARRETT: One being a product called
- 17 Supreme Greens, the other one being a coral calcium type
- 18 product.
- DR. GUERRERO: Yes.
- 20 MR. BARRETT: Tell me a little bit about the
- 21 Supreme Greens and why you feel that everybody should
- 22 have that at least base product in their diet.
- DR. GUERRERO: Well the Supreme Greens is based
- 24 on -- they're organically grown vegetables, grasses,
- 25 sprouted grains, some blood-purifying and immune-

- 1 enhancing herbs, and some anti-oxidants that are in this
- 2 -- in a powdered form and we've already put them in what
- 3 we call a colloidal form. And, again, they -- they --
- 4 what they do is they supply the body with all the
- 5 vitamins, minerals, amino acids, plant proteins that the
- 6 cell needs in order to go through this cycle of
- 7 regeneration. It's very alkalizing, very energizing.
- 8 They're basically vital nutrients. Again, you've got
- 9 things like broccoli, spinach, kale, okra, there are
- 10 Echinacea tops, beet tops, wheat sprouts, barley sprouts,
- 11 alfalfa sprouts, there's wheat grass, barley grass, dog
- 12 grass, shade grass --
- MR. BARRETT: You hear a lot about wheat grass
- 14 these days.
- DR. GUERRERO: Well, because it has a lot of
- 16 chlorophyll. And chlorophyll is -- you know what iron is
- 17 to the red blood cell --
- MR. BARRETT: Right.
- DR. GUERRERO: -- chlorophyll is to the plant.
- 20 And that chlorophyll is what supplies that red blood cell
- 21 with a lot of iron, oxygen, which then makes the cell
- 22 more permeable, allows the body to metabolize insulin
- 23 that's naturally secreted as a result of just a natural
- 24 by-product of metabolism.
- And so what the Christmas with MSM does --

17 you've got all of your rich vital nutrients. So it 1 allows the cell wall to become more permeable. 2 3 MR. BARRETT: And what would --4 DR. GUERRERO: So the nutrients can readily go into the cell, the cell can absorb that iron, it can 5 6 absorb that oxygen. 7 MR. BARRETT: And you just don't get the nutrients from our farms where they're depleted, right? 8 9 DR. GUERRERO: There's no herbicides, no 10 pesticides. They are grown in soil that has only been 11 cultivated one time per crop. So, for example, when they 12 cultivate that soil, they're harvesting another --13 another plot, then they're remineralizing, putting all 14 the vitamins and minerals back into that soil so that 15 when they then plant in that soil again those plants can then absorb the minerals. So they're never cultivating 16 17 the same piece of land twice in a row. 18 MR. BARRETT: What is grapefruit pectin? 19 DR. GUERRERO: Grapefruit pectin actually is a substance that -- I'll give you a study that they did 20 with grapefruit pectin. They took -- over a 12 month 21 period of time they took, you know, pigs and they gave 22 23 them high lard diets. And what they did is they tested 24 their arterial plaque before they started the study.

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And they gave one group grapefruit pectin and

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1 they gave another group nothing, but they both ate the same high lard diet. After 12 months t he group that 2 3 received the grapefruit pectin actually had an 88 percent decrease in arterial plaque than from when they started. 4 5 That's significant. 6 MR. BARRETT: And doctors don't --7 DR. GUERRERO: It's incredible. 8 MR. BARRETT: -- tell their patients about 9 grapefruit pectin? 10 DR. GUERRERO: Doctors don't know about 11 grapefruit pectin. Again, remember, their education is 12 acute care and pharmacology based. So not that your 13 doctor doesn't care, but your doctor just doesn't know 14 about it. 15 MR. BARRETT: So if you're taking this product and you're healthy now, your arteries are less likely to 16 clog up, you're saying? 17 18 DR. GUERRERO: Oh, absolutely. 19 ON SCREEN: 20 FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL 21 ITV 800.554.2818 22 MR. BARRETT: Hold onto that thought because I 23 just want to let our viewers have a chance to tune in 24 If you're watching right now and you want some 25 more information -- we've been talking to Dr. Alex

- 1 Guerrero now for a few minutes, but if you just want some
- 2 more information on these Supreme Greens that he's
- 3 talking about, please pick up the phone and call the
- 4 number on the screen.
- As always on Today's Health we've worked out a
- 6 special arrangement with our guests, so when you do call
- 7 mention Today's Health and you will receive a substantial
- 8 discount of the Supreme Greens product.
- Now, we have a caller on the line from Oregon.
- 10 Her name is Kerry. Kerry, are you with us?
- 11 KERRY: Yes, I am.
- MR. BARRETT: Now, what is your experience been
- on this Supreme Greens product?
- 14 KERRY: Well, you know, I've been overweight
- 15 for many years and I tried, oh, every diet on the market.
- 16 I tried Atkins, I tried The Zone, I tried the soup diet,
- 17 I even tried the popcorn diet and none of them worked.
- 18 I'd lose some weight and then I'd just gain it back and
- 19 then some.
- And so after so many years of trying all these
- 21 different diets I just gave up because I was just so
- 22 discouraged, you know. And then a friend of mine
- 23 recommended that I take the Supreme Greens with MSM, not
- 24 as a weight loss product, but you know what? As a way to
- 25 improve my health and my energy because she noticed I was

20 1 just so tired all the time. 2 Of course, you know, my energy and my health 3 improved, but what was really amazing was that the first 4 week that I was on Supreme Greens with MSM I lost four 5 pounds. And the second week I lost four and-a-half 6 pounds. 7 And I've been on Supreme Greens now for eight 8 months and I have lost a total of 81 pounds. And --9 MR. BARRETT: Eighty-one pounds? 10 KERRY: Eighty-one. Yes. 11 MR. BARRETT: That -- that's tremendous. Now, have you seen health as a by-product also? 12 13 Well, I have. You know, in addition to KERRY: 14 that you know my knees and my ankles don't ache any more, 15 I can pick up my children and play with them, which I have not been able to do in years. And I just -- you 16 know what, I just wanted to thank Dr. Guerrero for 17 Supreme Greens with MSM, it's given me my life back. 18 19 MR. BARRETT: Kerry, I --20 KERRY: Thank you. 21 MR. BARRETT: -- I really appreciate you calling in and sharing that with us today. 22 23 KERRY: Thank you very much. 24 ON SCREEN: 25

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